

Dibble House
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DIBBLE HOUSE
Molalla, Clackamas County
Oregon

Owner: Mrs. Dudley Boyles, La Grande, Oregon.

Date of Erection: Built in late 1850's

Architect:

Builder: Built for Horace L. Dibble by Phillips, carpenter.

Present Condition:

Number of Stories: Two

Materials of Construction: Hand-prepared timbers and lumber.

Other Existing Records:

Additional Data: Dibble came to Clackamas County in 1852 with ox teams. While hunting runaway oxen he saw a beautiful prairie knoll (Molalla) which the Indians had kept burned off. He bought 360 acres, built his house and raised his family there. He kept open house, produced grain crops, made cheese, and was famed for thrift. He died in 1899 and his wife in 1904 on the old place. The house is very commodious, 6 rooms, two fireplaces downstairs, parlor, "buttery", and cellar.

References: Mrs. Amy F. Wilson, daughter, 1837 SE 43d Ave., Portland; Mrs. Cla Warrick, Molalla, daughter of Pioneer's youngest son.

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